

IMPORTANT FIRE CLOSURE INFORMATION

Effective May 30, 2014

Due to the dry conditions creating extreme fire danger in Arizona, the State Forester has announced the implementation of fire restrictions on all unincorporated State owned and State managed lands south of the Grand Canyon, including all State Trust lands, all Game and Fish Wildlife Areas and Department properties, all Arizona State Parks (please visit <http://azstateparks.com> for more info) and all Department of Transportation highway right of way property not owned by Federal land management agencies. State lands north of the Grand Canyon are not included in fire restrictions at this time. **The following is prohibited:** Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, charcoal, coal, or wood stove in or outside of developed campgrounds or improved sites, (Exemptions include persons using a device solely fueled by liquid petroleum or LPG fuels that can be turned on or off - device can only be used in an area that is barren or cleared of all overhead and surrounding flammable materials within 3 feet of the device); smoking except within an enclosed vehicle or building; Discharging a firearm (Except while engaged in lawful hunt per state, federal, or tribal laws –unless on agency designated shooting ranges); Use of any kind of fireworks and incendiary devices; and Operating any internal combustion engines, welding or operating acetylene or other torch device with an open flame or using explosives. **If local authorities have imposed stronger restrictions than above, those restrictions shall apply. Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty is exempt. State Trust land within a city boundary is exempt unless otherwise stated in city ordinance. These restrictions do not apply to private lands.**

Restrictions apply to all State Land Department issued permits and leases (**including recreational permits**) & holders of hunting and fishing licenses. For further info regarding fire restrictions, see <http://firerestrictions.us/az>. For additional info about the Arizona State Forestry Division and Notice of Fire Restrictions, see www.azsf.az.gov.

Thank you for helping us protect the natural resources of the State of Arizona against wild land fires. **State Land Department**

Additional *exemptions* to the above-listed restrictions include:

- Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act. This process can be utilized in cases where public works and public utility emergency repairs are necessary.
- Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- Industrial operations where specific operations and exemptions are identified and mitigation measures are implemented as outlined in an agency plan.
- Operating generators with an approved spark arresting device within an enclosed vehicle or building or in an area that is barren or cleared of all overhead and surrounding flammable materials within three feet of the generator.
- Operating motorized vehicles on designated roads so long as you park in an area devoid of vegetation within 10 feet of the roadway.
- All land within a city boundary is exempted unless otherwise stated in city ordinance.